AC&C has numerous programs that are supported by donations and volunteers. Consider sponsoring one of the following:

## The STAR Program

(Special, Treatment, And Recovery)

The AC&C STAR program provides needed medical care to animals that come into our Animal Care Centers with injuries and treatable medical conditions.

## **Education Programs**

AC&C works with at-risk youth in the community to provide positive educational experiences and human/animal bonding opportunities.

#### **Human Animal Bond**

AC&C has numerous programs that provide assistance to families in need and in crisis. Programs include neuter and free pet food.

## **Adoptions**

AC&C has numerous offsite adoption events and venues bringing animals into different communities allowing them more opportunities for adoption.

Call 602-506-PETS for more information

# Maricopa County Animal Care & Control

Maricopa County Animal Care & Control (AC&C) is "dedicated to promoting and protecting the health, safety, and welfare of pets and people in Maricopa County"

AC&C is a full service animal welfare organization with shelter, adoptions, field services, licensing and education programs.

West Valley Animal Care Center:

2323 S. 35th Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85009 602) 506-PETS (7387)

pets.maricopa.gov

Other Animal Care Center locations:

East Valley Pet Adoption Center 2630 W. 8th St. 231 N. 35th Ave.

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# MARICOPA COUNTY Animal Care & Control

# **Education Programs**



Programs that educate about the relationship between pets and people



Animal Care & Control (AC&C) is committed to educating the public on the wonderful relationship we have with our four-legged friends. AC&C has numerous programs available to the community. Call 602-506-3471 or visit pets.maricopa.gov to find out more.

#### **Speakers Bureau**

Interested in having a speaker come talk to your adult group on animal issues, about AC&C or on ways that your group can get involved with animals? Expert speakers are available for your community events and programs.

#### Workshops

Join AC&C staff at one of our monthly educational workshops and activities.

- Want to learn about how you can help feral cats in your community? An Operation FELIX workshop is held on the third Tuesday of every month. Call 602-506-PETS to RSVP.
- AC&C's dog training program teaches the art of communication between people and their pets.
   Call 1-866-362-3647 to enroll.
- Dog Agility classes held at AC&C's Pet Adoption Center. Call 602-938-0598 for more information.
- Visit pets.maricopa.gov for our monthly calendar of events.

#### **Youth Programs**

AC&C staff is committed to education and animal assisted therapy programs that teach young people about their connection and responsibility to fellow living things. The following programs are available to school, community and youth groups. If you do not see a program that meets your needs call us to brainstorm other program ideas.

- The TLC (Teaching, Love & Compassion) This
  program partners at-risk youth with shelter
  animals in an intensive four week educational/therapeutic violence prevention program.
- Dog Bite Prevention. This one hour presentation is available to communities that are experiencing a problem with aggressive dogs.
   This presentation is available to youth and adult groups.
- Community Involvement. Involve your youth group in a project that helps animals. Youth Volunteer Opportunities are available for young people ages 14-18. Internships are available to college students in a variety of areas. For more information contact the volunteer department at 602-506-8133.
- Printed Materials on responsible pet care, behavior and humane education are available for classroom use. AC&C's youth activity book is available.
- AC&C's Scratch and Sniff Pet Mobile brings adoptable animals to community events. Visit pets.maricopa.gov for a schedule of events. Call 602-506-3471 to schedule.

#### **Teacher Programs**

AC&C education staff is excited about offering numerous programs to teachers and community educators. Some of the programs available are:

- Incorporating animals into literature
- The Pros and Cons of classroom pets
- The Link between animal abuse and family violence
- Humane Education and your school
- Tailor made presentations are available upon request

#### **Pet Guardian Support**

AC&C's Project Safety Net and therapeutic programs assist pet owners by strengthening the human animal bond. Spay/Neuter, Pet Food, and animal behavior programs are available to families in crisis. Visit our web site at pets. maricopa.gov for a list of programs.

## The Link Between Animal Abuse and Family Violence

AC&C has numerous programs and materials available to assist law enforcement and social service agencies address the important issue of animal abuse.

